I.C.P.O. Calendar

07-16 April 2005

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (Apr 07 - 16, 2005)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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07/04/2005: The operators who activated OC-251 September 2002, OC-261 April 2003 and OC-228 April 2004 plan to activate OC-220, Southern Australia State West group, St. Peter Island, Nuyts Archipelago as VI5PN the second weekend in April, commencing early Thursday April 7th and concluding Monday April 11th April 2100z. This will be a special event, commemorating the 350th Anniversary of the death of Pieter Nuyts, the Dutch East India Company man and sometime explorer, who died in 1655. St Peter Island and Nuyts Archipelago, which is located off the coast from the seaport, Ceduna/Thevenard, was named after Pieter Nuyts in 1627 whilst exploring the southern ocean area of Australia, now known as the Great Australian Bight. St Peter Island is part of a closely protected Conservation Park and also part of a greater Ecological Restoration of Endangered Species Program by South Australia Parks and Wildlife. A permit has been obtained for 4 operators to land and operate for a limited period. Operating dates/times are dependant on weather conditions, which can be unpredictable at any time of the year. Expected operators are Peter VK3QI, Keith VK3FT, Jack VK3WWW and Max VK3WT. Usual IOTA frequencies will be observed, both CW and SSB. Emphasis will be on 30 and 40 CW and 20, 17 and 15 SSB. Long Path to Europe around 05:00-08:00 UTC will also be emphasized. OC-220 has only been activated once before in March 1997, by Mal (VK6LC) as VK5ISL, for a total of 2200 QSOs, making it a relatively rare group. CW QSOs will be available and special arrangements put in place to maximize contacts with African and South American stations, who have an entirely polar path through the auroral zones to contend with, both long and short paths. A special commemorative callsign has been applied for and we are particularly interested in having contacts with as many Dutch stations as possible. QSL details for VI5PN are as follows: via VK3QI Direct (any callbook) or via VK3 QSL bureau. Any questions about the proposed operation to: Peter Forbes, VK3QI (prforbes@bigpond.net.au). [Tnx VK3QI]

08/04/2005: Berthold/DF5WA and Gunter/DF7GB will be active from the island of Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001) starting April 8th. They plan to operate on all bands (160m if the location is suitable) CW with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Length of stay was not given. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

08/04/2005: Alex, RV1AC/p, will be active April 8th from the Pavlovsky - St. Petersburg Administrative Area (RDA reference SP-15 for the Russian Districts Award), City of St. Petersburg (SP). Look for him around 14:00-16:00 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RA9FFB]

08/04/2005: Victor, RV3YR/p, will be active April 8th, beginning around 09:00 UTC, from the following references for the Russian Districts Award: Bezhitsky - Bryansk Areas (RDA BR-01); Sovietsky - Bryansk Areas (RDA BR-03); Fokinsky - Bryansk Areas (RDA BR-04); the Bryansky Area

(RDA BR-10); the Navlinsky Area (RDA BR-25); the Brasovsky Area (RDA BR-09); and the Komarichsky Area (RDA BR-22). Victor will stop in Navle for some rest and then head back home. Activity will be on 40 meters, with the expedition ending around 14:00 UTC. All references are located in the Bryanskaya oblast (BR). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RV3YR]

09/04/2005: Yann, F8BWM, and Jacques, F1HRU, will be QRV April 9th as F1HRU/p from the Castle Hausman (DFCF reference 33152, for the French Castles Award) located in Cestas (CP 33610). If time permits, they might activate a second castle reference. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F1HRU]

09/04/2005: Nicola, IZ3EBA (MDXC #181), and Enrico, IZ3EAY, will be active April 9th from the Fort Saint Nicol? (DCI reference VE-009), located on Lido Island (IOTA EU-131, IIA VE-032, MIA MI-052), Venice. They will be signing homecall/p. QSL via home calls, direct or through the bureau (no eQsl's!). [Tnx IZ3EBA]

09/04/2005: Some members of the Vienna Wireless Society, K4HTA, plan an overnight trip to Chesapeake House on Tilghman Island (USI MD-017S), Talbot County, MD, April 9-10, 2005. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters, using the club call. QSL to K4HTA, direct, via the bureau or e-QSL. [Tnx N4ZPT]

09/04/2005: Look for Nikolai, RA9DA/p, to be QRV April 9th from Nizhnyaya Salda City (RDA reference SV-31 for the Russian Districts Award), Sverdlovskaya oblast (SV). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RA9DA]

10/04/2005: Christian, F6FTB, will be QRV April 10-13th from the Moulin de Bourhic (DMF reference 56-009, for the French Mills Award), located in Locmaria (CP 56360), on Belle Ile (IOTA EU-048, DIFM AT-015, DDCF 56222). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5PEZ]

10/04/2005: Franco, IK4DCS, will be active April 10th, in the morning, from the Torri dell'Antico Castello di Ostiglia [Towers of the Ancient Castle of Ostiglia] (DCI reference MN-034 for the Italian Castles Award). There is the possibility that he might also activate the Castello o Palazzo Ducale di Revere [Castle or Palace Ducale of Revere] (DCI MN-038) and the Torre dell'Antico Castello di Revere [Tower of the Ancient Castle of Revere] (DCI MN-056). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB and CW. All castle references are located in the Region of Lombardia, Province of Mantova (MN). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IK4DCS]

15/04/2005: During the Preparatory Central European IARU R1 meeting, Croatia, the Island of Murter (Not IOTA, CIA-28, IOCA CI-074), will be activated using the call 9A0IARU between April 15th and 17th. QSL via Emir, 9A6AA (QRZ.com). [Tnx F5NQL]

15/04/2005: Dave, G4WFQ, will be active April 15-29th as C6AWF from Treasure Cay, Abaco Island (IOTA NA-080). Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters, including WARC, mostly CW and RTTY, with some SSB. Online Logs and log upload to LoTW after the operation. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau. [Tnx G4WFQ]

15/04/2005: Operators DL4HG, DL7AT, DH9JK, DG7TG, DG3XA and DJ5KK will be active April 15-17th as DF0CB from Helgoland Island (IOTA EU-127, GIA

N-14). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a dipole and 20 meter GP, 100 watts. QSL via DF0CB (QRZ.com). [Tnx DL4HG]

15/04/2005: Tortsten, DG7TG, will be active April 15-17th as DL0RSH from Helgoland Island (IOTA EU-127, GIA N-14). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a dipole and 20 meter GP, 100 watts. QSL via DL0RSH (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/04/2005: Alfons, ON4AWT, will be active April 15-17th as PA/ON4AWT from Texel Island (IOTA EU-038). Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter SSB, with some digital modes. Texel/Eierland lighthouse (WLH PA-004, ARLHS ARLHS NET-024, WLOTA L-0003) will also be activated. QSL via home call direct (QRZ.com), bureau preferred. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/04/2005: Hugo, ON4CF, will be active April 15-17th as PA/ON4CF from Texel Island (IOTA EU-038). Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter SSB, with some digital modes. Texel/Eierland lighthouse (WLH PA-004, ARLHS ARLHS NET-024, WLOTA L-0003) will also be activated. QSL via home call direct (QRZ.com), bureau preferred. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/04/2005: Stefan, ON4OSA, will be active April 15-17th as PA/ON4OSA from Texel Island (IOTA EU-038). Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter SSB, with some digital modes. Texel/Eierland lighthouse (WLH PA-004, ARLHS ARLHS NET-024, WLOTA L-0003) will also be activated. QSL via home call direct (QRZ.com), bureau preferred. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/04/2005: Geoffrey, ON6JK, will be active April 15-17th as PA/ON6JK from Texel Island (IOTA EU-038). Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter SSB, with some digital modes. Texel/Eierland lighthouse (WLH PA-004, ARLHS ARLHS NET-024, WLOTA L-0003) will also be activated. QSL via home call direct (QRZ.com), bureau preferred. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

16/04/2005: Dov, 4Z4DX, will be QRV April 16-17th as 4Z4DX/LH from the Jaffa Lighthouse (ARLHS reference ISR-005). QSL direct to home call or e-QSL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. See Dov's web page at www.qsl.net/4z4dx [Tnx 4Z4DX]

16/04/2005: South Chesire ARS members Pete G4RRM, Chris G0RDK, Ken M0DQS and Geoff 2E0UNI will be active April 16-23rd as GM6TW from the Isle of Jura (IOTA EU-008, IOSA NH-21, SCOTIA CS-28). Activity will on 160-20 meter CW, SSB and some digital modes. The main frequency will be 14.260MHz. Other ones on SSB are 28.560, 28.460, 24.950, 21.260, 18.128, 7.055 and 3.755MHz. The CW frequencies are 28.040, 24.920, 21.040, 18.098, 14.040, 10.115 and 3.530MHz. No specific frequency has been nominated for 7MHz CW but it is recommended that operations should include a frequency above 7.025 when the band is open to North America. QSL via G0UZP (QRZ.com). [Tnx G4RRM]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

01/05/2005: Ivan, OM3CGN, and other operators will be active May 1-5th as 7V2SI from Sandja Island (IOTA New One, WW Loc. JM16PT), Bay of Algiers, Algeria. Sandja Island is part of the Mediterranean Sea Coast Centre group. Due to poor propagation, there will be no top band operation from Sandja Island. [Tnx DE0MST]

01/05/2005: Stefan, DB3LSP, will be QRV May 1-14th as OZ/DB3LSP from Sjaelland Island (IOTA EU-029, DIA SJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award). Activity will be mainly CW, but he will also use SSB and PSK-31. QSL via

home call. [Tnx DL2VFR]

03/05/2005: Mathias, DL4ZJ, will be active May 3-13th as 9H3ZJ from Gozo Island, Malta (IOTA EU-023). Look for him on CW and SSB. QSL via home call. [Tnx DL2VFR]

07/05/2005: Ralf/DH7NO and Ric/DL2VFR will be QRV May 7-8th as homecall/p and DA0GLH from Usedom Island (IOTA EU-129 GIA O-13) and the Karnin lighthouse (TWLHD WLH DL-014, ARLHS FED 274). Look for activity on all bands, SSB and CW. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau. [Tnx DL2VFR]

28/05/2005: Look for Ric, DL2VFR, to be QRV May 28th to June 3rd as LA/DL2VFR from Hellesoy Island (IOTA EU-055). Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx DL2VFR]

04/06/2005: Look for Ric, DL2VFR, to be QRV June 4-10th as LA/DL2VFR from Otroy Island (IOTA EU-056). Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx DL2VFR]

08/07/2005: Roger, K0YY, plans to be QRV July 8-18th from Bridge Island (CO-New, for the US Islands Award), located in the rare grid DM60, Routt County, Colorado. Activity will be on 80-2 meter SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx K0YY]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

08/05/2005: Michael/G0SWY, Peter/M0BTY and Sam/G4OHX will be active May 8th to June 5th as GB6VIE to commemorate Victory In Europe. This station is available for the GB6VIE certificate. A special (Free!) certificate will be available from G0SWY. For further information contact G0SWY - G0swy@aol.com (http://www.rsars.org.uk/specevts.htm). [Tnx F5NQL]

20/06/2005: To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Army Wireless Reserve Amateur Radio Society, special event station GB5AWR will be active June 20-27th. The station will be operated on all modes by G0SWY. Your QSL card will be required beforehand in order to receive the special QSL from this station. Please QSL via the RSARS QSL Bureau. A special (Free!) certificate will be available from G0SWY. For further information contact G0SWY - G0swy@aol.com (http://www.rsars.org.uk/specevts.htm) [Tnx F5NQL]

01/07/2005: Dennis, GW4XKE, will be active July 1-29th as GB4ON commemorating Operation "Neptune." The station will be operated on all modes. A special QSL card will be issued to all stations worked unless not required by that station at the time of the QSO. Please QSL via the RSARS QSL Bureau. For further information contact GW4XKE - johnny-e@ic24.net (http://www.rsars.org.uk/specevts.htm) [Tnx F5NQL]

01/08/2005: Dennis, GW4XKE, will be active August 1-29th as GB4VJD to commemorate Victory Japan Day. The station will be operated on all modes. A special QSL card will be issued to all stations worked unless not required by that station at the time of the QSO. Please QSL via the RSARS QSL Bureau. For further information contact GW4XKE - johnny-e@ic24.net (http://www.rsars.org.uk/specevts.htm) [Tnx F5NQL]

01/08/2005: Operator G0SWY will be active August 1-29th as GB6VIJ to commemorate Victory In Japan. The station will be operated on all modes. Your QSL card will be required beforehand in order to receive the special QSL from this station. Please QSL via the RSARS QSL Bureau. A

special (Free!) certificate will be available from G0SWY. For further information contact G0SWY - G0swy@aol.com
(http://www.rsars.org.uk/specevts.htm) [Tnx F5NQL]

01/08/2005: Sam, G4OHX, will be active August 1-29th as GB6VJD to commemorate Victory Japan Day. The station will be operated on all modes. Please QSL via the RSARS QSL Bureau. For further information contact G4OHX - Samg4ohx@btinternet.com
(http://www.rsars.org.uk/specevts.htm) [Tnx F5NQL]
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